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Communist military activity remains heavy in the northern provinces of Military Region 1, particularly in Quang Nam and Quang Ngai provinces. Much of the action has been directed against government military bases, field positions, outposts and settlement programs. The Communists have also periodically disrupted military and commercial traffic along major highways. Strong North Vietnamese attacks have forced the abandonment of several bases. Meanwhile, in the central coastal provinces, Viet Cong sappers launched a series of hit-and-run raids against government

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military installations at Cam Ranh Bay early yesterday. Communist gunners also shelled Nha Trang city and airbase with 122-mm rocket fire. Although still relatively high, the level of Communist incidents in the southern delta seems to be abating.